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Dear Mr. Nobel:

Lawrence Nobel

It has come to our attention that the Democratic Party of Oregon ("DPO") received a contribution from an individual by the name of Keshi Zahn that may have been improper.

Although the DPO has not been officially informed that the Zahn contribution, in the amount of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00), was improper, it is our understanding from published news reports that Ms. Zahn was not entitled to make the contribution. Accordingly, we are disgorging the monies from that contribution. The only reason that we have waited until this time to disgorge the funds is because the DPO was in debt and did not have the funds available; we are now in a position to make resititution.

Under federal election law, the DPO has the option to (1) return the money to the donor, (2) give the money to the federal or a state or local government, or (3) donate the money to a qualified charity as defined by 26 U.S.C. §170(c). Because we are unable to locate Ms. Zahn, and believe that she is no longer resident in this country, we have elected to donate the funds to charities. Specifically, we have made three One Thousand Dollar (\$1,000.00) donations to Loaves and Fishes Centers, Inc., Planned Parenthood of the Columbia/Willamette, and the Oregon Children's Development Fund of the Oregon Community Foundation. Copies of the transmittal letters are enclosed.

Please contact the DPO office or call me at 503-227-2672 if you have any questions.

Very Truly Yours,

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cc: DPO Officers (e-mail)

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Dr. Judith Albert
Planned Parenthood of the Columbia/Willamette
3231 SE 50th
Portland, OR 97206

Dear Judith:

Enclosed Please find a contribution to Planned Parenthood of the Columbia/Willamette in the Amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) from the Democratic Party of Oregon.

The Democratic Party is Pleased to be able to make this contribution to your worthy operation. You have long been a force for improving conditions in Oregon, and we are proud to associate ourselves with your efforts through this contribution.

Please note the Democratic Party of Oregon as a supporter wherever appropriate for a contribution at this level, and add us to your mailing list.

Thank you for all you do for the people of Oregon.

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Amy Gerver
Director of Leadership Giving
Loaves and Fishes Centers, Inc.
6125 SE 52nd
Portland, OR 97206

Dear Amy:

Enclosed Please find a contribution to Loaves and Fishes in the Amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) from the Democratic Party of Oregon.

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Chris Tomlinson
Oregon Children's Development Fund
of the Oregon Community Foundation
621 SW Morrison
Portland, OR 97205

Dear Chris:

Enclosed Please find a contribution to the Oregon Children's Development Fund in the Amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) from the Democratic Party of Oregon.

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